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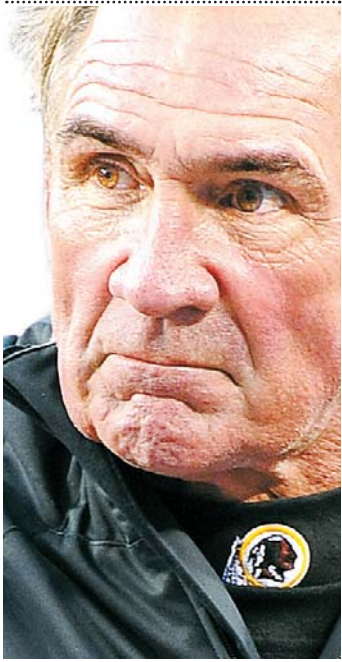
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Saudi Arabia and other U.S. allies in the Gulf continue to funnel money to terror networks, leaked cables show 13

Although Saudi officials, including King Abdullah, pictured, have helped the U.S. combat terrorism, cables show they resist efforts to block terror funding from within their country.

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Can We All Agree This Is Better Than a Meth Lab?

Two teenage boys from St. Cloud, Minn., are accused of stealing at least 17 calves to start their own dairy farm. This past week, authorities arrested a 19-year-old and a 16-year-old. Police say they received a tip that led them to 17 calves and eventually the teens. Investigators say the teens told them they wanted to start their own dairy farm. They planned to keep the heifers and sell the bulls, splitting the profits. The calves have been returned to their owners. (AP)

\$100 Anonymous Secret Santas handed \$100 bills to worthy individuals across Charlotte, N.C., on Friday. The group traveled with an escort of volunteers from the police and fire departments, the Charlotte Observer reported.

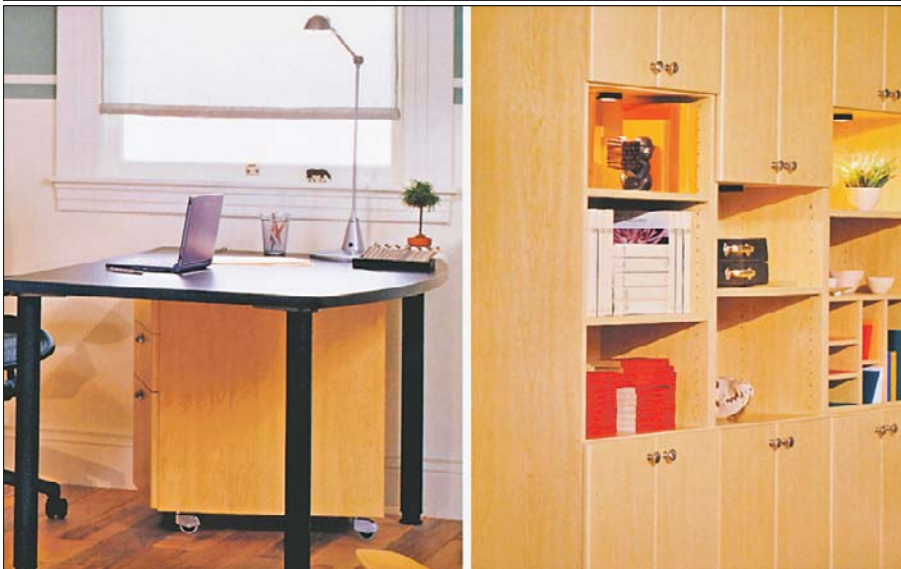
Lobsters Horrified by This Gruesome Display

Some of the top lobster-fishing ports in New England are claiming bragging rights about who has the biggest and best Christmas tree created from old lobster traps. Gloucester, Mass., started the trap-to-tree tradition 12 years ago, and Rockland, Maine, followed five years later. Both are threatening to be upstaged this year by the small town of Beals, Maine. At 50 feet high with a base 27½ feet across, the tree in Beals is the biggest of them all. It's topped with a mannequin dressed as a fisherwoman. (AP)

The Big Picture



SKIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS dressed as you-know-who head down a slope Sunday as part of the 11th annual Santa Sunday at Sunday River in Newry, Maine. Participants get a free lift ticket if they dress as Mr. Clause and donate \$10 or more to the Bethel Rotary Club's annual toy drive. (AP)



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THIS WEEK



Capitol Tree Lighting

The U.S. Capitol Christmas tree, a 67-foot-tall spruce, will gleam and sparkle with decorations made by schoolchildren in Wyoming at its annual tree-lighting ceremony on Tuesday.

Prop 8 Case

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals will hear arguments Monday in *Perry v. Schwarzenegger*, the landmark constitutional challenge to the gay marriage ban.

Nobel Peace Ceremony

Nine laureates will attend the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony on Friday in Stockholm. The prizes are traditionally presented Dec. 10, the anniversary of the death of prize founder Alfred Nobel in 1896.

Nation

Lawmakers Move to Unite on Taxes

Outlines of economic plan would extend rates, jobless benefits

Washington

Their political options limited, Democrats and Republicans appeared to unite Sunday behind the outlines of an economic package that would temporarily extend expiring tax rates as well as jobless benefits for millions of Americans.

Differences remained over details, and some Democrats continued to object to any plan that would continue Bush-era tax rates at the highest income levels.

Without action, however, Congress faced the prospect of letting the tax rates revert to higher pre-2001 and 2003 levels, and delivering a tax hike to all taxpayers. Negotiations between the Obama administration and a bipartisan group of lawmakers centered on a two-year extension of current rates.

At the same time, Friday's jump in the unemployment rate to 9.8 percent added pressure on Republicans to accede to President Obama's demand that Congress extend unemployment insurance for a year.

"I think most folks believe the recipe would include at least an extension of unemployment benefits for those who are unemployed and an



President Obama also wants Congress to extend unemployment insurance for a year.



Finding Middle Ground

Republicans have insisted that any extension of jobless aid be paid for with cuts elsewhere in the federal budget. The White House opposes that, saying such cuts are economically damaging during a weak recovery. Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell on Sunday said that "all of those discussions are still under way." But Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said Republicans would likely cede that point to the Democrats. (AP)

Possible Compromise

The movement toward a possible compromise came after Republicans blocked Democratic efforts in the Senate on Saturday to extend the current tax rates on all but the highest income levels. Republicans prefer extending all the tax rates permanently, a prospect that also can't win legislative approval and that Obama would be sure to veto. (AP)

extension of all of the tax rates for all Americans for some period of time," said Sen. Jon Kyl of Arizona, the Senate's Republican negotiator in tax talks between lawmakers and the Obama administration.

Some economists suggest that short-term deficit spending is appropriate to boost the economy as long as lawmakers plan to address increasing deficits in the years ahead.

Mark Zandi, an economist who has advised Democrats and Republicans, said the cost of unemployment insurance in 2011, for instance, could be paid for over the following three years.

"You're then providing the stimulus in 2011 and you don't have the downside on the deficit in the long run, which is what matters for economic growth," Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Analytics, said in an interview. JIM KUHNHENN (AP)

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Nation

While the Beat Goes On

Doctors use high-tech boxes to keep hearts ticking for transplant

Los Angeles

Andrea Ybarra's donated heart was beating rhythmically by the time she awoke from the grogginess of her surgery.

Lub-dub. Lub-dub. Lub-dub. In fact, it was warm and pumping even before doctors transplanted it.

Ybarra belongs to a small group of people who have had a "beating heart" transplant, an experimental operation that's mostly been done in Europe. The donor heart is placed into a special box that feeds it blood and keeps it warm and ticking outside the body.

"I felt peaceful when I woke up. I wasn't scared," recalled the 40-year-

Medical Advances



It may sound a bit macabre, more like an Edgar Allan Poe story. The new high-tech heart box circulates blood from the donor to the heart so that it continues throbbing while in transit. Based on some success overseas, the University of California, Los Angeles is currently heading an experiment that compares the safety and effectiveness of the new preservation method versus the standard cooler. If the new technology succeeds in preserving hearts longer, it could change the field, experts say. (AP)

old from Los Angeles who suffers from lupus. "It felt like the heart was a part of me all the time."

Research has shown that the

longer it takes to remove a heart and transplant it, the greater the patient's chance of death or heart disease. But what if a heart could beat on its own after removal from a cadaver?

"The rush factor will be taken out. I can go all the way to the West Coast to get a heart," said Dr. Bruce Rosengard of Massachusetts General Hospital, who performed the first beating heart transplant in the United Kingdom in 2006.

It may also potentially help ease the organ shortage crisis. About 3,000 Americans are on the heart transplant waiting list.

The thinking is that hearts may be in better condition if they're kept beating instead of being cooled in ice. And if hearts can be monitored outside the body, proponents say, this may help increase the organ pool by allowing less-than-perfect hearts to be transplanted. ALICIA CHANG (AP)

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Weekend Review



1 KABUL, AFGHANISTAN Obama Surprises Troops

President Obama told U.S. troops in Afghanistan that success is within reach during an unexpected visit Friday amid a series of setbacks in the war. He landed almost exactly one year after authorizing a 30,000-troop surge and as his advisers finish an assessment of the expanded U.S. military presence. (AP)

2 QUITO, ECUADOR Ecuador Volcano Spews Ash as Villagers Flee

The Tungurahua volcano in Ecuador is billowing ash into the sky and sending super-hot pyroclastic flows surging down its slopes. No one has been injured, but people within 8 miles of the volcano were evacuated Saturday as a precaution, an official said. (AP)

3 CINCINNATI Cincinnati Mascot Cited For Throwing Snowballs

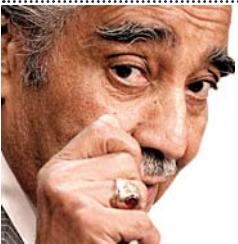
The University of Cincinnati's Bearcat mascot was cited for disorderly conduct after throwing snowballs in the stands at Saturday's game against Pittsburgh. The mascot, who was not identified, also pushed a security guard and was detained, a school spokesman said. (AP)



TARA TODORAS-WHITEHILL/AP

4 Fire in Israel Under Control

A firefighter studies smoldering land near Haifa, Israel, Sunday. The country's largest forest fire began Thursday and killed 41 people before it was brought under control Sunday, thanks in part to a Boeing 747 from the U.S. with 20,000 gallons of water and fire retardants. (AP)



5 "I was not found guilty of corruption, I did not go to bed with kids, I did not hurt the House speaker, I did not start a revolution, ... and that is abundantly clear."

— REP. CHARLES RANGEL, D-N.Y., SPEAKING SATURDAY TO HARLEM CONSTITUENTS ABOUT HIS THURSDAY CENSURE FOR ETHICS VIOLATIONS. HE SAID HE HAS NOT LOST HIS "ABILITY TO LOVE THE CONGRESS."

6 MOSCOW Jet Crashes on Landing, Killing 2, Injuring 83

Two engines failed on a Russian passenger jet shortly after takeoff Saturday, and the plane made an emergency landing, skidding off the runway and breaking apart, officials said. Of the at-least 155 people aboard the Dagestan Airlines Tupolev Tu-154, two were killed and 83 were injured, an official said. (AP)

7 ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST



Voter unrest is growing in Ivory Coast after two candidates each claimed the presidency on Saturday. (AP)

8 BEIJING

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The speed, in mph, reached during a test of a Chinese passenger train Friday, the fastest speed ever recorded by an unmodified commercial train, state media reported. The line will halve the travel time between Beijing and Shanghai by five hours. (AP)

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A Nuclear Self-Sufficient Iran?

With talks looming, country now touts its uranium capacity

Tehran, Iran

Iran delivered a resolute message Sunday on the eve of talks with six world powers: We're mining our own uranium now, so there is no stopping our nuclear ambitions. The Islamic Republic said it has produced its first batch of locally mined uranium ore for enrichment, making it independent of foreign countries for a process the West fears is geared toward producing nuclear arms.

Regardless of the U.N. sanctions over the program, "our nuclear activities will proceed and they will witness greater achievements in the future," Iranian nuclear chief Ali Salehi told state-run Press TV. Western officials downplayed the announcement, saying it had been expected and that Iran did not have enough ore to maintain the large-scale enrichment program that Tehran says it is building as a source of fuel for a net-



Iran's vice president and nuclear chief, Ali Salehi, cuts a ribbon on Sunday to mark the country's first shipment of domestically mined uranium for processing.

work of nuclear reactors. Sunday's announcement makes clear that Iran does not consider uranium enrichment to be up for discussion. Monday's talks in Geneva, the first in more than a year, are meant to lay the cornerstone for establishing trust about its nuclear intentions. The ultimate aim of the U.S., Russia, China, Britain, France and

Germany is to commit Tehran to give up enrichment because of its potential for nuclear arms. Since Iran's clandestine enrichment program was discovered eight years ago, Iran has resisted both rewards — offers of technical and economic cooperation — and four sets of increasingly harsh U.N. sanctions, meant to force it to freeze its enrichment program.



Making Cake

Uranium enriched to low grades is used for fuel in nuclear reactors, but further enrichment makes it suitable for atomic bombs. On Sunday, Iran touted its capacity to mine and process uranium ore concentrate, known as yellowcake. In the past, it acquired yellowcake from South Africa, and from China, long before U.N. sanctions outlawed such business with Iran. (AP)

Salehi, head of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran and also the country's vice president, denied that local stocks were lacking and said the step meant Iran was now self-sufficient over the entire nuclear fuel cycle — from extracting uranium ore to enriching it and producing nuclear fuel. (AP)

In Brief



A rally on Sunday calls for Nobel Peace Prize winner Liu Xiaobo's freedom.

HONG KONG

Protesters Push to Free Detained Nobel Winner

Several hundred protesters marched in Hong Kong on Sunday to demand the release of jailed Nobel Peace Prize winner Liu Xiaobo before the prize ceremony in Oslo on Friday. It was one of several events in support of the Chinese dissident being held around the world. The protesters also called for Liu's wife, Liu Xia, to be released from house arrest. (AP)

EL-ARISH, EGYPT

Tourist Killed in Latest Shark Attack in Egypt

A shark tore the arm off an elderly German tourist at an Egyptian resort, killing her almost immediately, officials said Sunday. The attack occurred days after sharks mauled four other tourists at the famed Sharm el-Sheikh resort, which is located on the Red Sea in the Sinai Peninsula. (AP)



Inevitable: Two of the 33 Chilean miners trapped underground for two months said Sunday that plans for a movie chronicling their ordeal are moving ahead quickly. Miner Juan Illanes said during a visit to Costa Rica that discussions for the movie are "very advanced, and we hope there are results soon." Illanes and Raul Bustos made the trip to the capital city of San Jose to host two private conferences about their experience trapped in the mine. (AP)

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Foreign Insurgents On the Rise in Iraq

Official: Al-Qaeda's inability to recruit Iraqis seen in uptick

Baghdad

Intelligence officials say foreign fighters have been slipping back into Iraq in larger numbers recently and may have been behind devastating attacks this year, reviving a threat the U.S. military believed had been almost eradicated.

It is impossible to verify the numbers of foreign insurgents entering the country, but one Middle Eastern intelligence official estimated recently that 250 came in October.

U.S. officials play down the threat, saying the figure is far lower, but acknowledge an increase

since August.

On Sunday, security official Maj. Gen. Qassim al-Moussawi said Iraqi forces are seeking six foreign fighters who are suspected of involvement in the Oct. 31 siege of a Christian church that left 68 people dead.

They are among the country's most wanted terrorists and are also suspected in two other attacks that killed a total of 73 people.

"This indicates the failure of al-Qaeda leaders to recruit Iraqis to carry out suicide attacks," he said.

Even at the height of the war, foreign fighters were considered a small percentage of the insurgents in Iraq. But their presence encouraged donations from overseas, and they made up some of the most extreme jihadists. (AP)

Thailand Fetes Leader's Birthday



THAI STUDENTS RELEASE paper lanterns into the sky on Sunday to mark King Bhumibol Adulyadej's 83rd birthday. The king, whose health has been declining, is the world's longest-reigning monarch, having ruled since 1946. (AP)

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It's hard not to think, "uh-oh," at that point, but you can still be an optimist. Maybe you'll just sit there for a sec while the train ahead of you pulls out of

the next station.

That's what my friend Francisco Africano was hoping for last Monday night when his Red Line train halted somewhere between Friendship Heights and Bethesda.

But then the lights dimmed — along with the 30-year-old Kalorama resident's chances of catching that night's soccer game.

Word came that their train had lost power, and Metro personnel arrived to shuffle passengers to the car behind his.

And that's where they all sat for another 45 minutes, waiting to be "moving momentarily."

The fear in such situations isn't really that "Lord of the Flies" will break out, but that you'll be ridiculously bored. (Especially once you've solved the crossword and Sudoku, right?) Africano thought things might be turning around when a guy rifled through his groceries and pulled out a six-pack. But the beer went back in the bag.

"I tried to come up with a game," he says. "But it was tough to gauge the audience."

I'm pretty sure he was kidding, but it reminded me of the best stuck train story ever: In 1996, Peter Yarrow — of Peter, Paul & Mary — was on an Amtrak train to New York that got stalled three miles from Penn Station. So, he pulled out his guitar, and between 2 a.m. and 4 a.m., led his fellow passengers in a café car sing-along.

It was such a hit that the next month, Yarrow organized a "reunion" tour on a Washington-bound train.

Ever since then, whenever I've boarded a train, there's been a small part of me hoping I might end up sitting near a folk legend. And then losing power or whatever would be awesome. Just in case, though, I always try to have reading material.



By Vicky Hallett



METRO PULSE

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Security to Increase at Dunbar

DCPS chancellor says school's culture 'not conducive to learning'

Washington

Dunbar Senior High School will get new administrators and extra security this week to quell violence and disorder, two years after the school was placed under a private management team by then-Chancellor Michelle A. Rhee.

Interim Chancellor Kaya Henderson said that on two recent visits, students roamed the halls and many classrooms were in disarray. She also said "a huge beef" involving neighborhood groups Sursum Corda and Saratoga has spilled into the school.

On Nov. 23, six students were arrested and charged with raping a 15-year-old girl in an unoccupied area of the sprawling school



On Nov. 23, six Dunbar students were charged with raping a 15-year-old girl at school.

in Northwest. District prosecutors announced last week that the charges of first-degree sexual assault had been dropped but did not say what prompted the decision. Henderson said concerns about the school pre-

dated the alleged incident.

"Things are really difficult at Dunbar this year," Henderson said. "The school culture is not conducive to learning."

Friends of Bedford, the non-

profit firm operating the school, was awarded a three-year contract to operate Dunbar in 2008 as part of a federally mandated effort to restructure three of the city's poorest-performing high schools. The group said it is a victim of politics and a public relations play designed to justify its ouster.

Bedford chief executive George Leonard said the intervention Henderson is considering — including extra security — is what the firm requested after it took control of the school in the summer of 2009. Then, he said, the school was "a shambles." Bedford officials also said the neighborhood disputes Henderson described had occurred outside the school.

"She wants to have the partnership phased out," Leonard said. "We're not going to be put in the position where she's making us seem like we're ineffective as a company." (THE WASHINGTON POST)

GWU to Allow Gender-Neutral Dorm Rooms

Washington

George Washington University will allow men and women to share dorm rooms starting next fall.

The new policy makes the university part of a growing number of schools that have moved toward gender-neutral housing.

Gay, lesbian and transgendered students helped argue for the policy, saying many of them would be more comfortable with a roommate of the opposite sex. (AP)

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Safe and Sound: A pit bull puppy stolen from the Washington Humane Society shelter has been returned. Sabrina Fang, a spokeswoman for the society, says the 4-month-old puppy was returned Wednesday. Three suspects had been caught on surveillance video taking the dog from the shelter last Monday. The juveniles entered the shelter posing as potential adopters, but, once inside, took the dog from his cage and escaped. (AP)

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The Limits of Friendship

Cables reveal U.S. frustration over Gulf nations' reluctance to cut off terror funds

Cairo

Saudi Arabia has made "important progress" in aggressively trying to curtail the flow of funds to terrorist groups, but the oil-rich kingdom and its Gulf Arab neighbors still remain major sources of financing for militant movements such as al-Qaeda and the Taliban, according to leaked U.S. government documents.

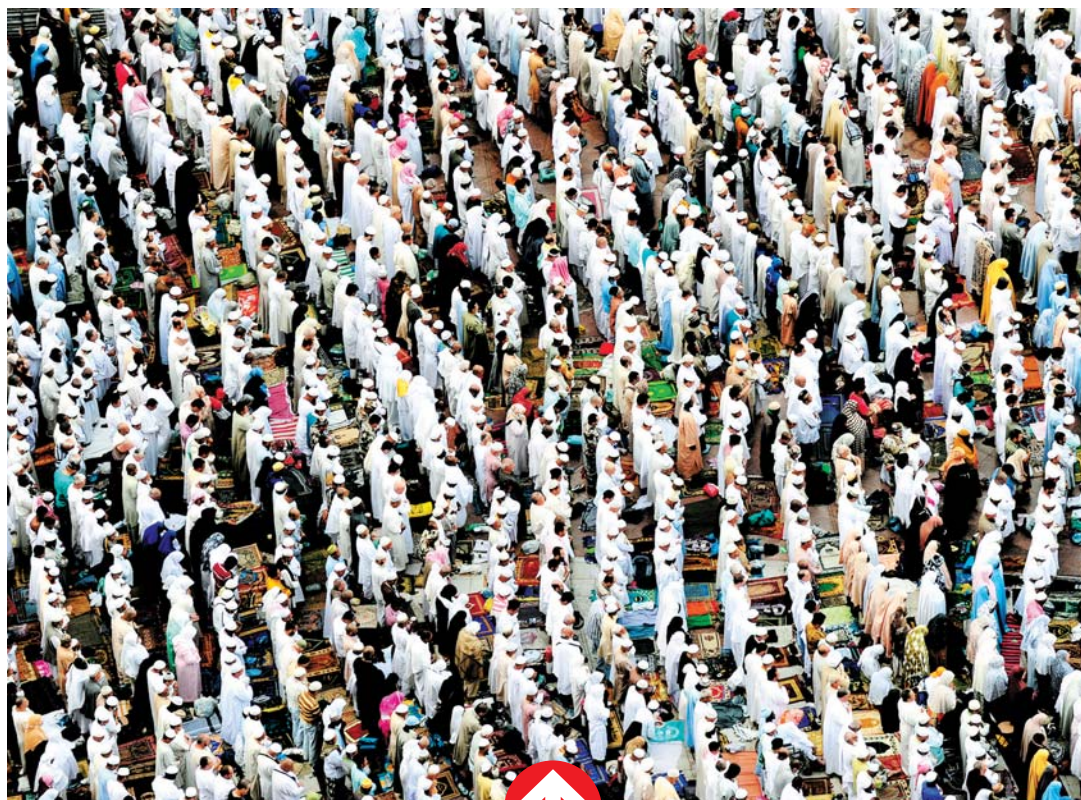
The findings, detailed in a series of internal U.S. diplomatic cables spanning a period of several years, paint a stark picture of Washington's challenges in convincing key allies of the need to clamp down on terror funding, much of which is believed to stem from private donors in those nations.

But the cables, obtained and released by WikiLeaks, also offer a window into the delicate balancing act Gulf governments must perform in cracking down on extremist sympathizers while not running afoul of religious charitable duties and casting themselves as U.S. stooges before an increasingly skeptical populace.

"While the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) takes seriously the threat of terrorism within Saudi Arabia, it has been an ongoing challenge to persuade Saudi officials to treat terrorist financing emanating from Saudi Arabia as a strategic priority," reads a December 2009 memo from Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton.

The cable said that while the kingdom has begun to "make important progress on this front, ... donors in Saudi Arabia constitute the most significant source of funding to Sunni terrorist groups worldwide."

Saudi Arabia, the homeland of most of the Sept. 11 hijackers, has repeatedly come under fire from



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Concerns in Saudi Arabia

Muslim pilgrims perform prayers in Mecca during the hajj. Cables released by WikiLeaks recently point to U.S. concern that Ramadan and Muslims' pilgrimage during the hajj provide fertile times for fundraising for al-Qaeda, and that the Saudis' monitoring of charities is lacking. The Saudis are seen as sluggish on cracking down on terror financing.

Harsher Reviews Elsewhere

KUWAIT is described in cables as a "key transit point" that lacks the regulatory framework needed to monitor such activity and a government that is hamstrung by political infighting.

One cable says the **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES'** "role as a growing global financial center, coupled with weak regulatory oversight, makes it vulnerable to abuse by terrorist financiers and facilitation networks."

QATAR, a tiny, gas-rich nation, is seen by diplomatic officials as "hesitant to take on known terrorists out of concern for appearing to be aligned with the U.S. and provoking reprisals."

the U.S. for its sluggish response to cracking down on terror financing. It has also been criticized for its reluctance to confront the fiery rhetoric espoused by some of its hardline clerics, which is seen as either directly or indirectly fueling extremism.

Many of the criticisms and observations made in the U.S. documents rehash — albeit more

directly — previously stated American concerns.

In July 2009, President Obama's special representative to Afghanistan and Pakistan, Richard Holbrooke, said the Taliban get more of their funding from wealthy Gulf donors than from the drug trade for which Afghanistan has long been famous.

Similarly, officials have com-

plained of direct donations by wealthy individuals, particularly during religious months such as Ramadan, or during the hajj. Compounding that issue has been the difficulty and reluctance to monitor charities, as well as the abundant informal money transfer networks called hawala, or worker remittances.

But Gulf governments, already

maligned by al-Qaeda and other militant groups as U.S. lackeys, are likely to be unwilling to be seen as interfering with a Muslim's religious obligation to provide alms for the needy.

The argument, ostensibly, is that individuals may often not be aware that they are providing funding to a group that fronts for a militant movement. **TAREK EL-TABLAUWY (AP)**

Backup Plans

Swiss Asylum?

WikiLeaks' elusive founder, his options dwindling, has turned to Switzerland's credit, postal and Internet infrastructure to keep his online trove of U.S. State Department cables afloat.

► **HIS LOCATION:** Supporters say Julian Assange is considering seeking asylum in Switzerland. He told a Spanish newspaper that he faced "hundreds of death threats."

► **HIS SITE:** After a number of companies dropped WikiLeaks, much of the site's traffic was coming through Wikileaks.ch Sunday. The address is controlled by the Swiss Pirate Party, a group that formed two years ago to campaign for freedom of information. The site's main server in France went offline but remained reachable through a Swedish server.

► **HIS FUNDING:** Assange has begun seeking donations to an account under his name through the Swiss postal system in Bern. (AP)





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MINDING HOLIDAY MONEY MANNERS

The holidays can be stressful as family, friends and spending collide — and more so during tough times. Here are tips on five key challenges in minding your money manners at the holidays.

1 What do I get someone who has been unemployed for two years? Get them something they can use. A gift certificate to a grocery store or megastore like Target or Wal-Mart that sells both necessities and niceties is thoughtful, said Diane Gottsman at Protocol School of Texas. “It doesn’t say, ‘Sorry you are out of work,’” Gottsman says. “It

sends a holiday greeting, not a sympathy greeting.”

2 How do I tell my friend(s) I can’t afford to exchange gifts? You don’t have to disclose all the details of your financial situation, but be honest. “There is nothing wrong with saying to your friends, ‘We are all time-strapped and economical-

ly strapped these days; let’s just do lunch or let’s not give gifts,’” Gottsman says.

3 What about family? The same rules apply. Here, it’s especially important to set expectations ahead of time. Some families stop giving gifts, give them only to children or set price limits to curb costs.

If some family members won’t go for it, be honest with yourself and them, Whitmore said. “You can tell them, ‘This year I am going to have to bow out. You know I love you, but I really have to watch it,’” she suggested.

4 What if someone gives me a gift and I didn’t get him one? Ignore the desire to stammer and make up lame excuses, Gottsman says. Accept the gift and make sure to send a thank-you note or do something nice in exchange.

5 Do I need to give gifts to the mail carrier and baby sitter? Use your best judgment. If this is someone you see regularly and he or she makes your life easier, a small gift is worth considering. The baby sitter who goes out of her way to make your life better? Sure. The mail carrier you’ve never met? No. Most important is to stay in your budget and remember you are acknowledging people and thanking them for their time. SARAH SKIDMORE (AP)

Economy Faring Well Despite Bad Job Front

Washington

The economy is firing on almost every cylinder these days, but the one that matters most is job creation. Factories are busier. Incomes are rising. Autos are selling. The holiday shopping season is shaping up as the best in four years. Stock prices are surging. If only every major pillar of the economy were faring so well. Despite weeks of brighter economic news, employers still aren’t hiring freely. The economy added a net total of just 39,000 jobs in November, the government said. That’s far too few even to stabilize the unemployment rate, which rose to 9.8 percent last month. Unemployment is widely expected to stay above 9 percent through next year. Job creation ultimately drives the economy, and it remains the most significant weak link. (AP)

\$200K The average amount it costs to raise an American child before college starts, according the U.S. Department of Agriculture. That’s up 22 percent up from what parents spent in 1960 — in the thick of the baby boom — when the USDA started counting. (CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR)

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Redskins Drop the Ball vs. Giants

New York runs over Washington, which commits 6 turnovers



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Redskins	0	0	7	0	7

Running to payday was as easy as running to daylight for the New York Giants.

With the wind whipping around the New Meadowlands Stadium, the Giants turned to their backfield tandem of Brandon Jacobs and Ahmad Bradshaw. They turned Sunday's meeting with the Washington Redskins into a rout, rushing for all four touchdowns and 200 yards in a 31-7 victory.

Jacobs set the tone with a 39-yard burst on New York's second play from scrimmage. He soon followed with an 8-yard TD and the Giants were off and, uh, running into a first-place tie with Philadelphia atop the NFC East. The Giants (8-4) have won five straight against Washington (5-7), whose remote playoff chances disappeared.

Donovan McNabb, who had plenty of success as an Eagles quarterback against New York, wasn't a factor in his first appearance against the Giants as a Redskin. He wasn't helped by drops from his receivers and the tricky wind.

Things started well immediately for New York as Danny Ware went 37 yards with the opening kickoff. Jacobs, who finished with 103 yards on only eight carries, then shed two tacklers to surge down the left side for 39 yards. Moments later, he was dancing in the end zone after his



Giants running back Ahmad Bradshaw scores one of his two touchdowns in Sunday's NFC East game against the Redskins.

Report Card



BEST CALL: In the third quarter, Donovan McNabb got some time after a solid play-action fake and found a wide-open Anthony Armstrong for a 33-yard touchdown.

WORST CALL: Albert Haynesworth was put on the inactive list for the game, so any potential run-stopping ability of his was not available.

WORST ADJUSTMENT: Considering the lack of production from the offense, it is inexplicable that the fastest man on the team — Brandon Banks — isn't more involved.

D It wasn't quite as bad as the Eagles debacle, but this team is awful on many levels.



Redskins tight end Chris Cooley commits one of the Redskins' six turnovers Sunday.

A Major Absence

As if another blowout loss to an NFC East opponent isn't enough, the Redskins could have another problem brewing with their high-priced defensive tackle, Albert Haynesworth, who was inactive despite being well enough to play. The two-time all-pro player, who sat out practice on Friday because of illness, indicated he felt well enough to play on Sunday and expected to have a major role against the Giants. (TWP)

TD run, on which he showed nifty footwork with a cutback.

It was the Giants' first opening-drive TD in 13 games.

Soon after, running mate Bradshaw scored on a 4-yard run for a 14-0 edge. Working behind a jumbled offensive line due to injuries, Bradshaw also had a 10-yard burst to make it 21-0 at halftime — and it could have been much worse for Washington. London Fletcher intercepted Eli Manning's underthrown pass in the end zone on first down from the Redskins' 4.

No matter. With Washington unable to move the ball or turn it over, the romp was on.

McNabb won his last four starts against the Giants while an Eagle, but other than his 33-yard strike to a wide-open Armstrong, he did little. He was sacked four times, twice by first-round draftee Jason Pierre-Paul, and threw an end-zone interception to Thomas. It was a career-high 14th pick McNabb has thrown in a season — he added another on the final play — and the Redskins lost four fumbles.

BARRY WILNER (AP)



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Sunday's Stars

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Sports

Sunday Recap

WEEK 13

Top Dogs



Maurice Jones-Drew, RB, Jags

The Jacksonville running back rushed for a career-best 186 yards on 31 carries in the Jaguars' 17-6 victory over the Tennessee Titans. Behind Jones-Drew, the Jags held the ball for 21 minutes in the first half and scored the first 17 points.



Drew Brees, QB, Saints

Brees threw for 313 yards and two TDs — including a 3-yard pass to Marques Colston with 31 seconds left — as the Saints rallied for their fifth-straight win. Brees also passed Archie Manning as the Saints' career passing leader.

Newsmakers

Brett Favre, QB, Vikings

Favre was crushed by Bills LB Arthur Moats Sunday, knocking the 41-year-old out of the game with an injury to his right shoulder. In his place, Tavaris Jackson led the Vikings to a season-high 38 points.



Injuries

Kraig Urbik, LG, Bills The lineman was carted off the field with a right leg injury.

Titus Brown, LB, Browns Brown left in the first quarter Sunday with a head injury.

Cullen Jackson, DE, Packers Jackson injured his left leg late in Sunday's game.

Scoreboard

Eagles 34, Texans 24 (Thu.)

Saints 34, Bengals 30

Bears 24, Lions 20

Packers 34, 49ers 16

Chiefs 10, Broncos 6

Browns 13, Dolphins 10

Vikings 38, Bills 14

Giants 31, Redskins 7

Jaguars 17, Titans 6

Falcons, Bucs (late)

Cowboys, Colts (late)

Chargers, Raiders (late)

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19 **THE NUMBER OF CONSECUTIVE DIVISION LOSSES** for the Detroit Lions, an NFL record. The Lions' NFC North woes continued Sunday with a 24-20 loss to the Chicago Bears. (AP)

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Sports

In Brief

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Terps in Military Bowl

What was long expected is official: Maryland will play East Carolina in the Military Bowl at RFK Stadium on Dec. 29. Landing Maryland is a coup for the third-year bowl looking to maximize local appeal. But the matchup promises to disappoint Terps players, who were hoping for a warm-weather locale and a high-profile opponent to conclude a resurgent season that saw the Terrapins (8-4) post the nation's second-biggest turnaround. (TWP)

THE NATIONALS

Werth Signs With Nats

Right fielder Jayson Werth agreed Sunday to a \$126 million, seven-year



DOUG PENSINGER/GETTY IMAGES

Outfielder Jayson Werth agreed to a seven-year, \$126M deal with the Nats.

contract with the Nationals, a huge deal announced even before the winter meetings officially began Sunday. The 31-year-old, who helped the Phillies win the 2008 World Series title, hit .296 this year with an NL-high 46 doubles, 27 homers and 85 RBI. The deal came two days after the Nationals' cleanup hitter, Adam Dunn, left for a \$56 million, four-year contract with the Chicago White Sox. (AP)

GOLF

Tiger Falls Short of Win

U.S. Open champ Graeme McDowell capped off his best year with the biggest comeback ever against Tiger Woods, who blew a four-shot lead Sunday in the Chevron World Challenge. (AP)

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Her Own Woman

Bristol denies rumors that her mom forced her to do 'DWTS' **35**

Booze Clues

Nineteen Days Left

Considering the fact that we can't even remember all the words to that stupid song about lords leaping and geese attacking (or whatever), there's no way we'll be able to tell you the name of each of the 25 holiday cock-



By Fiona Zublin

tails Bibiana (1100 New York Ave. NW) is rolling out this month. But here's what you should know.

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String a Different Tune

Grammy nominee Esperanza Spalding is on a roll with her transcendent jazz

Personalities

This past week's Grammy nominations announcement had some asking "Who?" in regards to Best New Artist nominee Esperanza Spalding, but the jazz bassist/vocalist/composer has seen her share of the lime — er, purple — light. Besides appearing on the bill for Prince's upcoming "Welcome 2 America" tour, Spalding aced a tribute to the Purple One at the 2010 BET Awards.

Spalding arrives at the Grammy nod riding the success of her most recent album, "Chamber Music Society," which reached No. 1 on Billboard's Heatseekers Albums Chart and No. 3 on Top Contemporary Jazz Albums.

"Chamber Music Society" draws from the same wellspring that inspired Spalding's 2008 debut, "Esperanza." It's the second chapter in the evolving career of the 26-year-old touted as a breath of fresh air within the contemporary jazz establishment.

Spalding's sophomore effort was inspired by the music she first gravitated to growing up: classical. The self-taught violinist and later graduate/faculty member of the Berklee College of Music spent 10 years with the Chamber Music



Esperanza Spalding's take on chamber music snagged her a Best New Artist Grammy nomination. Also, Prince likes her music.

Popularity

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Spalding's versatility keeps her in demand, says Mark Wexler, Concord's senior vice president of Marketing/Label Manager-Jazz and Classics Group. "We're marketing the brand Esperanza," Wexler says. Spalding has appeared in a Banana Republic campaign, has won several jazz awards, and performed at the White House in 2009, at the Newport Jazz Festival and in the 2010 BET Awards tribute to Prince at the request of the Purple One himself. "As people heard with her first album, she's a very talented woman who can play the bass and sing like a bird," Wexler continues. "Esperanza transcends what people think jazz is. She makes it accessible, and people — both younger and more adult — respond to the uniqueness of that." (G.M.)



Society of Oregon in her native Portland, where she became concertmaster at 15.

That training provides the foundation for her modernized take on chamber music: accenting the intuitive spontaneity of improvisation with string trio arrangements combining elements of jazz, folk and world music.

Spalding says, "I'm emulating something that chamber music used to do: bring friends together to play music or listen to others play and enjoy the experience in an intimate setting." GAIL MITCHELL

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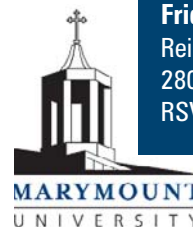
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2 When Irish Films Are Screening

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3 Fall's Gonna Kill You

"Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" forever ruined buddy cop movies for us. It's so much



more fun when the dynamic duo are on the side of evil. Besides, most movies featuring do-gooder partners aren't as funny or well-written as "Butch," and they definitely don't pair Paul Newman and Robert Redford when

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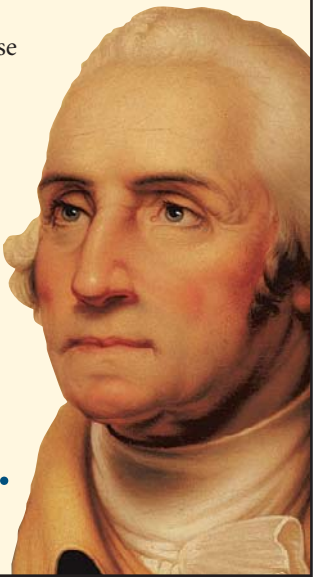
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TNT
9:00

The Closer A garbage bag containing more than \$37,000 holds the key to why someone ambushed one of Deputy Police Chief Brenda Leigh Johnson's detectives on the street. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



THE SING-OFF

Music to Jaded Ears

BRAVO
8:00

Nick Lachey hosts "The Sing-Off," a five-episode series featuring 10 vocal groups ranging widely in experience and fame. Judges Ben Folds, Shawn Stockman and Nicole Scherzinger set the show apart. TV judging has become predictable, nasty and catchphrase-driven, but Folds and Stockman are polite, thoughtful, informed and genuinely encouraging.

KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Returns

Midlife Mehs

As the Emmy-nominated dramedy "Men of a Certain Age" (10 p.m. on TNT) returns for a second season, Joe's (Ray Romano, right) determination to get himself back in shape starts to fade. Owen regrets his decision to hire Terry at his father's auto dealership, since Terry's acting skills aren't translating into sales. (TM)



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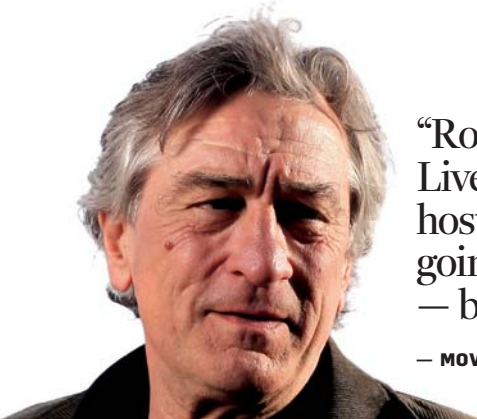
"A summertime temperature range of 105 to 130 degrees sounds nice ... if you're slow-cooking BBQ."

COMMENTER MILDLYMISANTHROPIC

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"For myself, the obvious Christian parallels in the 'Narnia' series were always a turnoff, even as a kid. Once you figure it out, and it's not all that hard to do even for 10-year-olds, the books seem like someone is trying to trick you into taking snot-tasting medicine."

— FIREDOGLAKE.COM WASN'T PARTICULARLY MOVED BY ACTOR LIAM NEESON'S CLAIMS THAT ASLAN, THE CHARACTER HE VOICES IN THE "NARNIA" FILMS, "SYMBOLIZES A CHRIST-LIKE FIGURE, BUT HE ALSO SYMBOLIZES, FOR ME, MOHAMMED, BUDDHA AND ALL THE GREAT SPIRITUAL LEADERS AND PROPHETS OVER THE CENTURIES."



"Robert De Niro returned for his third 'Saturday Night Live' hosting gig last night, and the usually befuddled host was, this time, surprisingly ... OK. ... It would be going a little far to say that the third time was a charm — but his third time was, let's say, serviceable."

— MOVIELINE.COM WAS IMPRESSED WITH DE NIRO'S PERFORMANCE ON NBC BUT DIDN'T PARTICULARLY LIKE THE MONOLOGUE.

Blog Log



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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

What you consider routine may surprise others; indeed, anything they consider normal is not for you at this time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You are currently riding a wave of energy and enthusiasm that can yield much in the way of personal reward, but focus is the key to success.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Don't let things happen by accident; for now, maintain a controlling influence over everything — and everyone — you can.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Take the time to make things as specific as possible — in your own mind, and on paper, if required. Don't leave anything to chance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

What you think can't happen quite possibly can and very likely will. Be prepared to deal with such surprises all day long.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Are you sure you know what you really want? It's important to have a clear idea of what is possible, too.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You may be fighting certain physical symptoms that, while generally annoying overall, needn't hold you back from anything you must do.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Influences from afar may surprise you, but surprise itself will not help you extricate yourself from something negative.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You may want to come up with one or two alternate plans, as things are shaping up in a way that requires such flexibility.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

If you are feeling trapped by circumstances, take the time to look beyond the obvious. Someone may be trying to hold you back.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You can do much to avoid problems between yourself and those whose plans are at odds with your own. A conflict needn't reach the boiling point.

Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 200-210, BEST SCORE 281

A ₁	A ₁	E ₁	H ₄	D ₂	B ₃	S ₁

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RACK 1

A ₁	A ₁	D ₂	P ₃	R ₁	L ₁	C ₃

2nd Letter
Double

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RACK 2

A ₁	A ₁	D ₂	H ₄	N ₁	T ₁	B ₃

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RACK 3

A ₁	I ₁	G ₂	N ₁	W ₄	B ₃	D ₂

Triple
Word Score

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RACK 4

Friday's Solution

U ₁	P ₃	S ₁	W ₄	I ₁	N ₁	G ₂	RACK 1 =	76
M ₃	O ₁	N ₁	K ₅	I ₁	S ₁	H ₄	RACK 2 =	66
P ₃	R ₁	O ₁	L ₁	O ₁	N ₁	G ₂	RACK 3 =	60
U ₁	N ₁	P ₃	L ₁	U ₁	G ₂		RACK 4 =	15
PAR SCORE 150-160							TOTAL	217

FOUR RACK TOTAL

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Sudoku

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9	2	1			5			4
				3	6	9		
	7			9			2	
	4				1		7	
6								1
	1		9				3	
	5			1			8	
		2	6		8			
8			2			1	4	9

Friday's Solution

1	5	9	4	2	7	8	3	6
6	4	7	8	1	3	5	2	9
8	3	2	6	9	5	7	1	4
9	2	6	3	4	8	1	7	5
5	8	3	9	7	1	6	4	2
7	1	4	5	6	2	3	9	8
2	7	8	1	5	4	9	6	3
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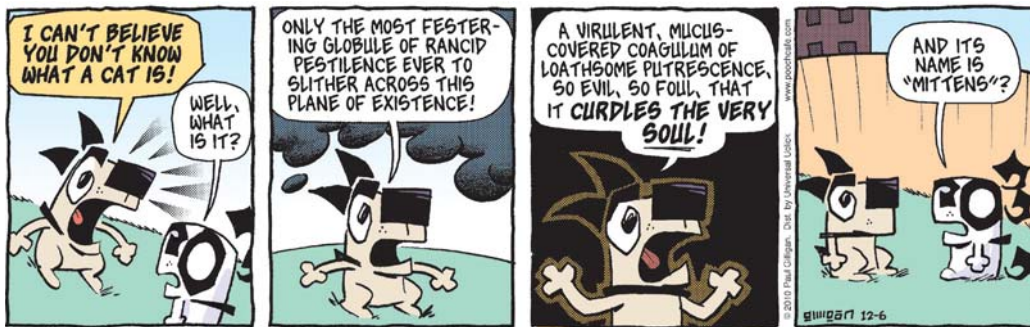
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39 | 25

Today: Windy and cold today with times of sun and clouds. Windy tonight.

38 | 23

Tomorrow: Partly sunny and windy tomorrow. Clear tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

WED **38 | 25** **THU** **37 | 29** **FRI** **45 | 33**

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today: 7:12 a.m.
Sunset today: 4:46 p.m.
Moonrise today: 8:07 a.m.
Moonset today: 5:40 p.m.

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Record low: 14

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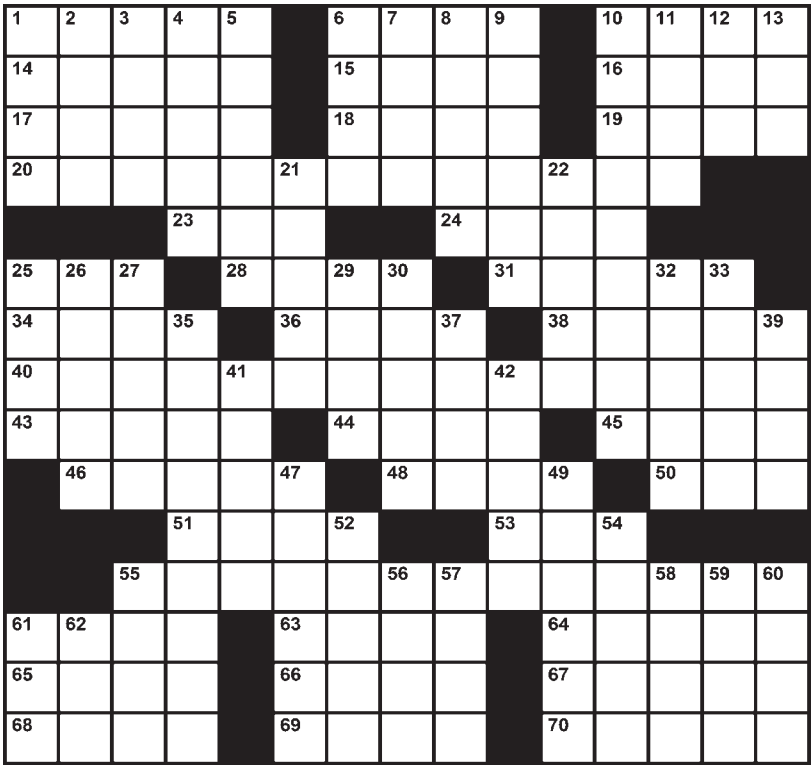
ROCK OUT

ACROSS

- 1 Inattentive error
- 6 Winged stinger
- 10 Mention
- 14 Astrological ram
- 15 Protected from the wind, in sailing
- 16 Dull discomfort
- 17 Musical eightsome
- 18 Muddy, as water
- 19 First-time driver, often
- 20 Show disagreement, in a way
- 23 Male or female, e.g.
- 24 Antony of antiquity
- 25 Where overachievers go?
- 28 Catchall category (abbr.)
- 31 Verbs and people have them
- 34 Is in debt
- 36 Periods of light
- 38 Microscope sample
- 40 Injury from a venomous reptile
- 43 Orderly arrangement
- 44 Translate by hand?
- 45 CAT procedure
- 46 Anatomical backs
- 48 Cafeteria worker
- 50 Maze goal
- 51 Box office hit, slangily
- 53 Place above place
- 55 Combined
- 61 Writer's block breakthrough
- 63 Parade rites., sometimes
- 64 Test for fit
- 65 Fly high, as an eagle
- 66 "Iron Chef" output
- 67 Revise editorially
- 68 Pinochle declaration
- 69 White-tailed bird of prey
- 70 Nose openings

DOWN

- 1 Country on the Mekong
- 2 Roman aqueduct feature
- 3 Gyro bread
- 4 Tries to obtain
- 5 Hold in high regard
- 6 Issue a caveat to
- 7 Soothing lotion ingredient



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- 8 Earthquake
- 9 "The Taking of ____ One Two Three"
- 10 Underground burial places
- 11 Secured, as a victory
- 12 It's usually disregarded when alphabetizing
- 13 Poet's early night
- 21 Rust, e.g.
- 22 Jagged, as a leaf's edge
- 25 "____ minute there, I thought..."
- 26 Judgment payout
- 27 Nostalgically fashionable
- 29 Reason for a parental reprimand
- 30 Hard one to convince
- 32 Clear for takeoff, in

- a way
- 33 Chief of the fallen angels
- 35 Right on the ocean
- 37 Starch derived from palms
- 39 Rip roughly
- 41 Disinfectant brand
- 42 Widely recognized
- 47 Filled with passion
- 49 Frisky pet
- 52 Peggy Lee jazz standard
- 54 Sally Field movie, "____ Rae"
- 55 True-to-life
- 56 College bigwig
- 57 Castaway's confines
- 58 ____ and terminator (criminal court)

- 59 Fewer than few
- 60 Lowers the curtain on
- 61 Suffix with "manner" or "mystic"
- 62 Fawn nurser

Friday's Solution



Today in History

1884 Army engineers complete construction of the Washington Monument.

1907 The worst U.S. mining disaster occurs as 362 men and boys die in a coal mine explosion in Monongah, W.Va.

2005 Philadelphia wins the first NHL scoreless game that is decided by a shootout, beating Calgary 1-0.

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ECCENTRIC**Sexy New Writer Sports Unironic Beard, Frock Coat**

Oprah has selected Charles Dickens' "A Tale of Two Cities" and "Great Expectations" as her next book club choice. The two are being issued in a single Penguin paperback. Winfrey will announce this Monday, when her reconciliation with Jonathan Franzen will air, roughly nine years after his ambivalence toward her selection of "The Corrections" led her to withdraw his invitation to her show. (AP)

**YIKES****Awful Accident Slightly Affects Justin Bieber**

A live broadcast of a German game show was halted after a contestant was severely injured while trying to jump over a moving car. The accident occurred Saturday just before Justin Bieber was to appear on the show, prompting him to tweet, "Please pray for Samuel Koch & his family as we wait and hope for his health and safety." Koch is in critical condition. (AP)

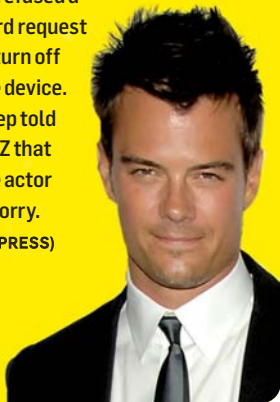


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"Some things are more important than putting on a show," Bieber also tweeted.

Dirtbag Debut**BlackBerry Enjoys 'Bad Boy' Moment**

Josh Duhamel was removed from a US Airways plane on Thursday after he wouldn't shut off his BlackBerry. TMZ.com reported. The plane, on the runway at New York's LaGuardia airport, returned to the gate when he refused a third request to turn off the device. A rep told TMZ that the actor is sorry. (EXPRESS)



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This teeth-baring behavior is a sign that Bristol is about to attack passive-aggressively.

INDEPENDENCE**100 Percent Mom-Free**

Bristol Palin snarked back at fellow "Dancing With the Stars" contestant Margaret Cho Saturday via Facebook. Cho had blogged that Sarah Palin forced her daughter to appear on the show in an effort to increase her own popularity. "I will give my friend credit for creativity, and extra points for getting so many 'facts' wrong in so few sentences," Bristol Palin wrote. "My mom did not 'force' me to go on 'DWTS.' She did not ask me either. The show approached me." (EXPRESS)

**GOOD WILL****Holidays: A Time to Enjoy [Making] Your Family [Pay]**

The Massachusetts attorney general's office has ordered comedian Dane Cook's half brother and sister-in-law to pay \$12 million in restitution after they pleaded guilty to stealing from him. Darryl and Erika McCauley of Wilmington were accused of embezzling millions from Cook while Darryl McCauley was working as Cook's business manager. (AP)

"Talking about putting mayonnaise on your thing is not appropriate advice."



— **KIM KARDASHIAN**
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